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WOMAN'S WORLD.

THE WOMEN'S HISTORICAL SOCIETY.

The regular meeting of this society was held yesterday afternoon in the Hamilton Institute. Mrs. Forsythe, re-assumed the chair.
After the reading of the minutes by Miss Nichols, Miss Constance Paulson gave an eloquent account of the flag devotion to the premier, and a general discussion was indulged in.
Miss Marjorie MacMurphy gave a very interesting address on "Toronto's Share in Canadian Letters," dealing more particularly with Isabella Valancy Crawford, Philip Stewart and Evelyn Durand.
Afternoon tea was served.

A NOVEL ENTERTAINMENT.

The Yonge-street Methodist Church has hit upon a novel idea for raising funds for a new building in the Household Fair, which opened to-day at the residence of Mrs. Withrow, 4 Chisora-avenue.
The drawing-room is in charge of Mesdames Redditt, Langford and Henderson and has for sale pictures, cushions, vases, jardinières, fancy work and other articles for drawing-room use.
In the dining-room are sold, under the direction of Mrs. Wilson, Miss Revy, and Mrs. Robinson, all kinds of

table linen, hand painted china, glassware, etc.
In the kitchen afternoon tea is served, with candies and cakes also for sale, besides kitchen aprons, dusting caps, clothcap bags, kitchen utensils and fruit. Mrs. Winter and Mrs. Geager preside.
Upstairs are sold collars, ties, slippers, handkerchiefs, work-aprons, fancy work and sewing utensils, in charge of Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. Hunt, Mrs. Rice and Mrs. Williams.
The fair will continue this afternoon and evening.

IN SOCIETY.

Mrs. T. Ward of Regina, who has been spending the winter with her sister, Mrs. J. L. Spink, 111 Avenue-road, returns to the west to-day.
Mrs. (Dr.) Bradshaw of Portage la Prairie, who has been in Ontario with relatives for the past few months, returns home to-day.
A pretty March wedding was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McGibbon, Port Hope, when Mrs. McGibbon's sister, Miss Lillian A. Outram, youngest daughter of Mr. Fred Outram, Port Hood, N.S., was married to Mr. Frederic R. Currelley, Canton, Rev. A. M. Irwin, B.D., pastor of the Methodist Church, Canton, officiating. The bride wore ivory lousine silk with

trimmings of lace and applique, and carried a shower bouquet of white roses. Miss Inez Mason of Bowmanville, the bridesmaid, wore a pretty gown of Persian lawn, with inserted with lace, and carried pink carnations. Miss Elsie McGibbon, flower girl, and Miss Laura Outram, ring-bearer, pieces of the bride, were gowned in ivory satin. Miss Stella Mason, Bowmanville, played the Wedding March, while Mr. William Bickie, Canton, was groomsmen.
A dainty luncheon was served at the conclusion of the ceremony, the table decorations in the dining-room being carnations and smilax. Mr. and Mrs. Currelley left on the evening train for the west, and upon their return will reside at the Currelley homestead, Canton.

The University Alumnae Association meets to-night at Queen's Hall. A newspaper, compiled by the graduates, will be read.
The Women's Literary Society of University College is holding an open meeting in the Margaret Eaton School of Expression to-night.

Mrs. Dignum will not receive again till the fourth Friday of this month.

Mrs. William Lamont, 169 West Roxborough-street, will not receive again this season.

Mrs. Charles Green, Bernard-avenue, will receive to-day and not again this season.

Mrs. R. Edward Holliday, formerly Miss Florence Gillivray, will receive at her mother's residence, 29 Kendall-avenue, to-day, and on the fourth Friday in March and April.

The ladies of Sherbourne-street Methodist Church are preparing for an Easter congregational high tea, to be held Tuesday, April 2.

Rev. George T. Berry of Englewood, N.J., representative secretary of the American McCall Association, will lecture in Trinity Methodist Church, corner Bloor and Robert-streets, on Monday evening next. The subject will be the McCall Mission in France, with limelight views.

Mrs. W. A. Ellis of Avenue-road will receive to-day and not again this season.

Mrs. Albert Eckardt, Huron-street, will receive on Friday, March 22, and not again this season.

Mrs. Thomas Eakin will receive in her new home, 115 Madison-avenue, this afternoon.

Mrs. Alex. L. Young of 101 Bedford-road will not receive again until the autumn.

Mrs. Oag, West Bloor-street, will receive to-day.

Mrs. James Arthur Sutherland of 71 Bernard-avenue will receive to-day for the last time this season.

Mr. and Mrs. William Doble left on Tuesday for Montreal, Boston and New York. Mrs. Doble will not receive again until after Easter.

Mrs. Chisholm, 165 Close-avenue, will receive Thursday, March 21, for the last time this season.

Dr. W. H. B. Atkins and Mrs. Atkins are sailing early in April for England and the continent.

Senator Rutherford and Mr. W. Temple left to-day for the West Indies for a month's holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Broughall are having a most enjoyable trip in Italy, and spent some little time in Rome.

Mr. and Mrs. Major, Niagara Falls, are in town.

Miss Marjorie Chillas has returned to Montreal.

Mr. Sidney Band is at the Hotel del Monte, Preston Springs.

Mrs. Seymour and Mrs. Mullens are in the city, staying at Ga-ka-dina, 142 West Bloor-street.

Mrs. Winnett is going to Courtlandt at the end of the week.

Mr. Godfrey Pinhey has returned to Ottawa.

A very quiet marriage took place yesterday morning in St. George's Church, when Miss Louise Cristfield, daughter of the late Mr. James Cristfield, was married to Mr. William Ridout Wadsworth by Rev. Canon Cayley. The bride, who was unattended, wore a smart tailored suit of grey tweed, with black hat and carried Parma violets. Mr. Walter Green was best man. Mr. and Mrs. Wadsworth will spend their honeymoon in the south.

Mr. Thomas Alchurch of the property commissioner's staff has been granted two months' leave of absence for the purpose of visiting England.

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From the body of the hall it was a sight long to be remembered as one viewed the array of talented artists, men and women, who composed this choir, under the masterful direction of Prof. H. M. Fletcher. Those who were privileged to view the immense audience from the platform were surely impressed with its size and character, a high and well-deserved compliment to Mr. Fletcher from his own fellow-citizens.

It would seem to matter little what number on the program one might select, each was a masterpiece of art. The solo singing of Madame Zimmerman carried with it the enthusiasm of everyone present, and was evidence of Mr. Fletcher's excellent judgment in the selection of his leading soloist.
Writing this appreciation of the Schubert choir and its leader, one must indeed include well-merited mention of the magnificent pianos of the old firm of Heintzman & Co., that were the exclusive choice of Mr. Fletcher, and that so largely added to the success and triumphs of the evening. A Canadian leader, one of our known musicians, a piano made in Canada, has met every want of the cultured musician—this is, indeed, victory.



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Buchanan's Wife

The Story of a Woman Who Dared to
Wrest to Herself the Love and Happiness that Were Denied Her by
Cruel Circumstances.

By DORIS H. FURBER, Author of
"Fragments of a Broken Heart," "New York and London."

"You haven't told me," he said to Beatrix Buchanan, "whom you love here this week. Whom am I to meet? Any strangers?" He spoke in the ordinary conversational tone of half-intimate friendship, and that is a good evidence of his power of self-control, for he had probably never before in all his life been so deeply moved or under so severe a strain as during the past few minutes.

Mrs. Buchanan looked up at him for one swift instant, then she turned away. "Oh, you're good, Harry! You're good!" she said, in a whisper. Then she turned to the Duke's daughter, who was sitting next to her. "You know the Eversleys? Colonel Eversley is the great swell on cavalry equipment—whatever that is—about here in London before she married and before—I did. She was the Duke of Sandon's youngest daughter, you know—the late Duke's. Then there is Aunt Arabella Crowley—Bessie's mother—and Stambolof. You like him, don't you, Harry? Do you know you're rather alike, you two? Then there's Ellen Trevor—Oh, I beg her pardon! I mean Allanor Trevor. And that's all. Did you ever hear of so ill-assorted a party? It's the Eversleys' party, really. I wanted them and she asked them, and they begged me not to have a lot of people. They said they wanted to sit in the sun for a week and rest, because they both were fagged out. So I got together used to know her in London before she married and do things. You, Harry, were a late inspiration of Herbert's. Ah, but we're not to talk about that are we? Ah, no!"

"She caught herself up with a laugh that was half a sob. Ellen Trevor is pretty little, childish, and she'll amuse Colonel Eversley when he wants amusement—and you, Harry, and you! And besides, she is fit to be here on Stambolof's account. She has conceived a sort of frightened, worshipful passion for Stambolof. Such kitten-like girls often do for men of

the tragic type, don't they? Of course, Stambolof doesn't know. If he did, he'd go away at once."
"I hear you must go in, mustn't we?"
"Oh, yes," she said. "Yes of course. I'll be there at eight. Come, Harry, we'll go in to them." She touched his arm for an instant as they turned.

III.

A dinner, that is to say, a proper dinner, regarded in its aspect as a social function and not as a mere occasion for the consumption of food, has certain qualities in common with a theatrical or an operatic performance. There are times when even under the most unfavorable auspices, a certain spirit, a sympathy, a rapport falls upon the occasion and at once lifts it into the realm of perfection—when each child goes wrong, when the poorest and meanest of integrals, in some happy fashion, combine to form a flowing and concordant whole. On the other hand, when it would appear that devils of discord are abroad, when the most perfect of elements, however heroic, seem unable to bring harmony out of chaos. Every hostess knows this, as does every musical conductor and stage manager, and needs this down to her perfectly appointed table without a desperate inward prayer that the gods of key and atmosphere will stand round and about her and save the day.

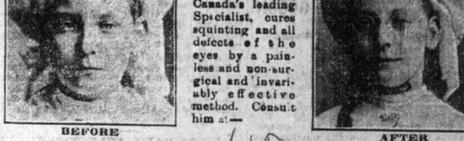
The first dinner at Buchanan Lodge was an unfortunate example of the latter class. It began with unharmonious elements, and the elements remained at discord thru the meal. In the first place, Beatrix Buchanan's feeling of relief—almost of rest—over her sister's marriage had been at best a momentary matter. She was no sooner seated at the table, opposite her husband's mocking gaze, than the peace went from her with a sudden rush, giving way to a lamentable nervousness. She had been under strain too long.

Buchanan himself was ever the worst of dinner companions. There a natural disinclination and long disuse, he had almost entirely lost any command of small talk which he may once have possessed, and in consequence, Lady Sybil, who sat at his right, and Arabella Crowley, at his left, had a bad time of it.

Stambolof was by nature too silent to be of much use in such a crisis, and as a result the talk was almost entirely confined to Eversley and Harry Faring, who had found ground of common interest in certain African explorations, thru the Uganda country.

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Faring, it appeared, had taken part in two of the earlier essays, and Colonel Eversley was, as usual, admirer for infatuation.
Arabella Crowley, stanch old soul, did her best in the way of engaging Lady Sybil across their silent host; and Miss Trevor, from time to time, chattered feebly when she could find a listener. But in all it was a dismal feast, and as it went forward it became more and more dismal, for there began to occur those fatal moments of complete silence, after one of which at least three people invariably start to speak at the same moment, and then fall again into a dreary stillness.
Then a thing happened which all at once changed the lagging gloom of the dinner table into something quite different and very much worse. Colonel Eversley, suddenly becoming aware that he and Faring had maintained an uninterrupted dialog for half an hour or more, broke off with an embarrassed, laughing apology, and turned to the hostess, at whose right he sat. Devils moved him so rally for upon her altered appearance.
"I thought, when we came, you know," he said, "that you weren't at all fit to sit so to Sybil. I said Mrs. Buchanan ought not to be having house parties, she ought to be in bed." And Sybil thought so, too. But, by jove!

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